fighters from Australia and China. Our apprehensions regarding Pakistan's acquisition of arms far in excess of legitimate defence needs have, from time to time, been conveyed to all concerned. Government keep under constant review all developments having a hearing on our security and take necessary measures to safeguard it.

Activities of Pro-Pak Kashmiri youth terrorists

1558. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that training camps for Pro-Pak Kashmiri youth terrorists, which were set up in occupied Kashmir and in certain parts of Pakistan during the Zia regime and were wound up on the assumption of office by Prime Minister Mrs. Benazir Bhutto, have started functioning again;

(b) if so, what is Government's information in this regard; and

(c) whether Government are aware of the statement of Shri Shabir Shah, Leader of Pro-Pak People's League that top Pak army brass had forced Pakistani Government not to replace army officers conducting these training camps?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) Government are aware of reports of training camps in Pakistan/POK for imparting training to pro-Pakistan Kashmiri terrorists. However, we have no information regarding these training camps having been wound up or re-started by the new Government.

(c) A report to this effect, which appeared in the 'Kashmir Times' of February 10, 1989, was brought to Government's attention.

Customers' Advisory Committee of IA in Eastern Sector

1559. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria/guidelines adopted by Government for selecting members of Customers' Advisory Committee of Indian Airlines for its eastern region;

(b) what are the details of functions of this Committee and the composition thereof stating the respective interests represented;

(c) what are the names of such members selected from Assam Meghalaya and other North-Eastern States and the proportionate representations of these States on the said Committee;

(d) what are the details of privileges facilities and other powers enjoyed by members of this Committee and the period upto which the present Committee would function; and

(e) what are the details of meetings held so far by this Committee, alongwith the specific recommendations made by and those implemented by Governmen

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF TH MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATIC AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVR PATIL): (a) to (e) The Regio Advisory Committees have been set by Indian Airlines for giving suggestic regarding improvement in servi provided by Indian Airlines and a bringing to its notice the deficiencies, services, etc. They represent a cr section of the travelling public, includ eminent lawyers, businessmen, doct journalists, industrialists, etc. A list giv the names and addresses of the mem of the Eastern Regional Advis Committee is given in the statement (*below).*

The members of the Advisory Committee are given transportation, lodging and boarding for attending the meetings of the Committe. The term of the present Committee is upto 31-3-89. So far 4 meetings of this Committee have been held and the suggestions made by the members to improve services, such as, reservations, airport handling, inflight services, baggage handling, etc., were examined and, to the extent possible, implemented.

Statement

Members of regional advisory committee

Eastern Region

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4.	Shri Raghu Mody	20 Sir R.N. Mukherjee Road Calcutta-700001.
5.	Shri Sajan Kumar Pasari	12 Government Place East Calcutta-700001.
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11.	Shri S.S. Bhartia	Managing Director, Vam Organic Chemicals Ltd., Skyline House 85 Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.

S.No.	Name	Address
12.	Shri Dev Anand Mishra	Tulsipur, Cuttack, Orissa.
13.	Shri Sajjan Kumar Jhunjhunwala	8 Ho-Chi-Minh Sarani Suite No. 26, 2nd Floor, Calcutta-700071.
14.	Shri S.S. Oberio	General Manager Trade Wings (Calcutta) Pvt. Ltd. 32 Chowringhee Road Calcutta-700071.

Condition of Indian doctors in U.S.A.

1560. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the discrimination being meted out to foreign doctors working in U.S.A. in the matter of employment, licences, promotions, and other professional works and it is also reported that Mr. James Bates and Mr. Daniel Monyihen are introducing remedial bills in the House of Representatives and the Senate respectively;

(b) what are the main problems faced by the Indian doctors in USA;

(c) what is government's reaction in the matter, and whether they have conveyed it to the Government of U.S.A.; if not what are the reason therefor;

(d) what are the details of the remedies proposed by Mr. James Bates and Senator Mr. Daniel Monyihen; and

(e) what action has been taken by Government to promote the objectives of the above legislative proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main problems faced by foreign medical graduates in USA are in the areas of jobs, promotions, hospital privileges, licencing, reciprocity and other facets of medical practice.

(c) It would not be appropriate for Government of India to comment on the internal affairs of another country.

(d) Congressmen Bates and Solarz in the House and Senator Monyihan in the Senate introduced Bills during the last Congress to prohibit discrimination to foreign medical graduates in the areas mentioned at (b) above. The action taken by the House and the Senate was to request a study on cases of discrimination especially in the areas of licencing and reciprocity. The study is underway by the General Accounting Office and International Associations of American Physicians (IAAP). The study will take another six months before its results are declared. During this Congress Session, two Bills have already been introduced — by Congressman Bates in the House and Senator Moynihan in the Senate. Passage of these Bills is expected to eradicate all areas of discrimination to foreign medical graduates and will gain them equality with US medical graduates.

(e) It would not be appropriate for Government of India to interfere in the legislative processes of another country.